## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the eighth annual America Recycles Day is a national event designed to encourage citizens, businesses, and governments to commit to reducing their waste by recycling and purchase of recycled-content products; and

WHEREAS, on a national basis recycling saves millions of dollars in disposal costs, creates jobs, and is recognized as an easy way for everyone to help protect the environment by avoiding unnecessary use of natural resources; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria recognizes its recycling program as an integral component of the City's solid waste management plan; and

WHEREAS, the America Recycles Day theme "It All Comes Back to You" promotes the important role Alexandria citizens and employees play in recycling materials from residential, commercial and government recycling programs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria is promoting "America Recycles Day" in November through a Rethink Recycling art contest to recognize and reward innovative students who create works of art made from recycled materials; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria has long demonstrated its dedication to the protection of the environment and its natural resources through a diverse array of environmental programs and services;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM D. EUILLE, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, do hereby proclaim November 15, 2004, as:

## "AMERICA RECYCLES DAY"

in the City of Alexandria and hereby commend all persons who are committed to and work towards preserving our natural resources.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 9<sup>th</sup> day of November.

WILLIAM D. EUILLE MAYOR

On behalf of the City Council of Alexandria, Virginia

ATTEST: